308B.551 PATRON MEMBER VOTING BASED ON PATRONAGE.

Subdivision 1. **Patron members may have additional vote.** A cooperative may authorize by the articles or the bylaws for patron members to have an additional vote for:

(1) a stipulated amount of business transacted between the patron member and cooperative;

(2) a stipulated number of patron members in a member cooperative;

(3) a certain stipulated amount of equity allocated to or held by a patron member cooperative in the cooperative's central organization; or

(4) a combination of methods in clauses (1) to (3).

Subd. 2. **Delegates elected by patrons may have additional vote.** A cooperative that is organized into units or districts of patron members may, by the articles or the bylaws, authorize the delegates elected by its patron members or have an additional vote for:

(1) a stipulated amount of business transacted between the patron members in the units or districts and the cooperative;

(2) a certain stipulated amount of equity allocated to or held by the patron members of the units or districts of the cooperative; or

(3) a combination of methods in clauses (1) and (2).

History: *2003 c 105 art 1 s 48*